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Memorandum of Conversation
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DATE: May 29 & 30, 1954

SUBJECT: Regional Meeting Proposed by President Figueres of Costa Rica

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I called Ambassadors Chapin, Willauer and Whelan, as well as Mr. Stewart in the Embassy at San José, and stated that the Department feels that the regional meeting proposed by President Figueres on the Guatemalan problem would be prejudicial to the plan advanced by the United States for a general OAS meeting on the same problem. I asked that they do what they properly could to dissuade Panama and the Central American States from proceeding with a regional meeting.

On the morning of May 30 I spoke to Ambassador McDermott and made the same request of him.

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